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THE WAR. TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

OFFICIAL REPORTS.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SECOND ARMY.

London, May 2.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig,
in congratulating the Commander of
the Second Army, mentions the
Twenty-Ninth Division which, by its
gallant action northward of Lys in
the early days of the Lys Battle,
maintained their fine fighting record;
also the Thirty-Fourth Division for
many gallant actions around Armentieres
and Bailluet and at the with-
drawal from Armentieres in circum-
stances of exceptional difficulty. He
also mentioned the Thirty-Third
Division for their splendid fight on
April 14, and for gallant actions in
the earlier days of the Lys Battle
when the enemy was pressing his
advance strongly.

THE LULL.

London, May 2.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig
reports:—
"We repulsed a raid in the neigh-
bourhood of Sebuterne, but otherwise
there was only reciprocal artillery
firing."

AERIAL ACTIVITY.

London, May 2.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig,
reporting on aviation, states:—
The unfavourable weather yester-
day only permitted short reconnaiss-
sances and bombing from a very low
height. None of our machines are
missing.

We dropped a ton of bombs on the
railway station and sidings at Thion-
ville to-day. A burst was observed
at Carshutte Works where a fire
started. Several bursts were also
observed in the barracks and at the
railway station and sidings.

All our machines returned.

FRENCH PROGRESS IN HANGARD WOOD.

London, May 3.
A French communiqué states:—
There was rather great reciprocal
activity to the north and south of
the Aves. We appreciably progres-
sed in Hangard Wood. We captured
Bonne-Wood, south-west of Mailly-
Raineval, taking 80 prisoners and
capturing five machine-guns. There
was artillery fighting between Parroy
Forest and the Voges.

ENEMY OCCUPIES SEBASTOPOL.

London, May 2.
A wireless German official message
states:—
We broke through the enemy's
resistance before Sebastopol and
occupied the town.
**PRESS CORRESPONDENTS'
REPORTS.**

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GERMANY'S DWINDLING MAN- POWER.

FRANCO-BRITISH ARMIES WELDED TOGETHER.

London, May 2.

Reuter's Correspondent at French
Headquarters, telegraphing to-day,
states:—
Under the German blow, the
Allied Armies have been welded
together as never before. There is
now no point of junction which the
Germans can thrust. The process
of welding together the two Armies
is complete but it will not stop there.
The French and British Divisions will
be moved about, on a solidly-knitted
Front, at the wish of our High Com-
mand, as freely as the German
Divisions.

Against the enemy's territorial
gains must be set the fact that he
had to engage 140 Divisions in five
weeks. A considerable number of
these have been twice engaged and
some three times. Adding to these
re-appearances, there is a total of
186 engagements of Divisions,
equivalent to a mass of 2,500,000
men whom the enemy has already
put into the battle. As the German
Divisions are never withdrawn until
they have sustained the severe loss
of an average 2,600 men, it is
reasonable to reckon that the enemy's
loss, since the beginning of the
battle, is not less than 360,000.

The Germans began the offensive
with a reserve of 650,000 in depth
in France and at home. Behind
these, is only the 1920 class, con-
sisting of youths, half of whom are
under eighteen years of age. The
enemy's genuine fighting reserve has
thus been half-exhausted, before he
has covered anything like half the
distance to his goal. The reckless
employment of Divisions has left
him with a total of 66 Divisions out
of 200 in France, which have not
been engaged. Of these, twelve
Divisions are Landstrum Divisions
which cannot be used for the pur-
pose of an offensive. The Germans
thus can have little hope that the
remaining 50 Divisions will accom-
plish what the first 140 Divisions
have failed to achieve. Already the
German General Staff must anxiously
be realising that their reserves of
fresh troops are no greater than those
under Generalissimo Foch.

Commenting on the impending
battle the Correspondent believes the
Germans will be unable to reassem-
ble the conditions which rendered the
manoeuvre at Riga possible, but will
endeavour to repeat the surprise blow
which answered so well in March.
The difficulties of manœuvring large
masses of troops brought into battle
is too great to permit of their dis-
engagement. The main lines of
attack, along the Somme towards
Amiens and in Flanders upon Hazeb-
rouck, are unlikely to be changed,
but experimental local assaults are
possible with a view to opening up
new sectors of attack, such as pro-
duced the unexpected success against
the Portuguese recently.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S CONSCRIPTION BILL.

St. John's (Newfoundland),
May 2.

The Legislative Council has un-
animously passed the second reading
of the Conscription Bill.

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INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Pedder Street, Victoria, HONGKONG, MONDAY, the 6th day of May, 1918, at 12 o'clock Noon when the subjoined resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 18th day of April, 1918, will be submitted for Confirmation as special resolutions.

(1) That it is expedient to effect an amalgamation of this Company with the Dairy Farm Company, Limited, and that with a view thereto this Company be wound up voluntarily and that Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Limited be and they are hereby appointed Liquidators for the purpose of such winding up.

(2) That the conditional Agreement submitted to the meeting for the amalgamation of this Company with the Dairy Farm Company, Limited, upon the terms (inter alia) of the acquisition by that Company of the complete undertaking, business, goodwill and property of this Company in return for the issue to this Company of 33,000 Shares of the Dairy Farm Company, Limited, of the nominal value of \$7.50 each credited as fully paid up (being eight shares of \$7.50 each of that Company for each share of \$24 each of this Company) and of the issue by the Dairy Farm Company Limited to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Limited, the General Managers of this Company (upon their entering into restrictive covenants which have been agreed upon and by way of bonus as compensation for their loss of office as General Managers of this Company) of 2,000 shares of the Dairy Farm Company Limited of the nominal value of \$7.50 each credited as fully paid up be and the same is hereby approved and that the Liquidators be and they are hereby authorized pursuant to Section 86 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 to adopt the said Agreement and carry the same into effect with such (if any) modification either before or after the execution thereof as the said Liquidators may think expedient.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to 10th May, 1918, both days inclusive. Dated the 18th day of April, 1918.

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THE SEIZURE OF THE
DUTCH SHIPS.

WEIGHT OF AUTHORITY ESTABLISHES THE RIGHT.

[By WILLIAM H. TAFT.]

The question of the right of the United States to seize the Dutch ships now in our ports and pay full compensation for them is a nice one. It is asserted under what is called the right of angary. This literally means the right of transport. It was a right anciently exercised by a belligerent to seize vessels of neutrals for the transport of his troops and munitions. A general principle of international law is that neutral property in belligerent territory shares the same liability to seizure for war purposes as property of the citizens of the country. The justice of the application of the principle to ships temporarily, or to use Hall's phrase "Passingly," in the port of a belligerent has been questioned. But the weight of authority among treaty writers seems to be that such vessels may be seized in cases of military necessity upon tender of full compensation. Moreover, ships which have been in our ports for six months or more, detained because of their purpose to carry cargoes of grain ultimately destined for our enemies, can hardly be said to be "passingly" here. They are doing no good to any one now. Why should we not use them if we give full compensation to their owners?

It is an interesting circumstance that the most modern instance of the assertion of this right before this war was by Count Bismarck in the war of 1870. He asserted it against Great Britain, a neutral. The Prussians seized six British colliers in the "mine" near Rouen, a place within German military jurisdiction, for the purpose of settling them and obstructing the passage of French gunboats on the Seine. Bismarck defended the action as "one of necessity, which even in time of peace may render the employment of destruction of foreign property admissible under reservation of indemnification." He continued, "I take the opportunity of calling to mind that a similar right in time of war has become a peculiar institute of law, the jus angariae, which so high an authority as Sir Robert Phillimore defines thus: 'That a belligerent Power demands

and makes use of foreign ships, even such as are not in inland waters, but in ports and roadsteads within its jurisdiction, and even compels them to transport troops, ammunition and implements of warfare.' England acquiesced in the legality of the seizure on payment of full compensation. This view, thus agreed upon, is sustained by Oppenheim, professor of international law at Cambridge, England; by Coleman Phillips, and indeed by most international jurists, including the Germans. Dana and Lawrence vigorously dissent. It is also declared to be the law in the United States naval war code.

An analogous right of land to seize neutral railway cars in case of absolute necessity is reluctantly recognised in the second Hague Convention, if compensation is given. Prussia exercised the right in respect to Swiss railway cars in the war of 1870. On the same principle, Great Britain in 1914 seized four vessels of Turkey (then a neutral) building in English shipyards and paid for them. Perhaps a distinction might be made in that these vessels were not yet afloat.

Doctor Landon, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Holland, insists that whatever the right may be as to a small number of vessels, it does not exist as to a commercial maritime of half a million tons en bloc. It is certainly true that the right has never been applied so extensively as now proposed. It is hard to see, however, why extent of the application of the principle should change the rule. The ships are within our jurisdiction and have been here for six months or more because they do not comply with our lawful regulations of our foreign trade. We did not induce their coming in such numbers. They are here. Our right to seize them rests on their being within our territory. This makes them just

as liable as property of American citizens to seizure for war purposes, if our military need for them is great. Such need certainly exists in view of the critical condition of our transport and our imperative obligation to feed our soldiers and our Allies abroad. It will be well, of course, to secure the vessels by agreement with Holland. This we undoubtedly could do but for Germany's intervention and threat. Germany has no just right to complain of Holland for agreeing to the sale of vessels to us, when by the modern right of angary which Bismarck asserted we could properly enforce such a sale.

THE FATE OF RUSSIA'S GENERALS.

The fate of the Russian generals continues appalling, and the name of Kaledin has now been added to the melancholy list. Of the generals who carried out the great offensive in 1916 there is Brusiloff broken and maimed for life; Alexieff is fighting for bare existence; Ruzhicki, the greatest of them all; Lechitsky, one of the paramount discoveries of the war, Radko Dimitrieff, the Bulgar hero; Lesh—they are all lost or dead; and Sircherovitch has a price upon his head. The lesser men are sweeping streets or selling papers.

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A HORROR UNSURPASSED.

The San Francisco Chronicle of March 17th published the following article with this introduction:—The Chronicle herewith presents excerpts from the diary of a German war bride. It is a literal translation of a diary of a German girl smuggled out of Germany through Switzerland and into the hands of her sister, a stained house in Chicago. It reveals such atrocious conditions existing in Germany, under sanction of the law, as exalted by right of brute force in Belgium and French territory captured by the Germans. It is one of the most damning indictments against the German Government that has ever been made public. Only first names are given in the diary for fear of reprisals against those who have already suffered loss of honour and almost of mind.

May 14th.—Still August evades all of my questions. To-day mother made him chicken broth. He was delighted, and told me how much he loves me, but still he said nothing about the date for our marriage, and mother evades the question. August and I go out but seldom now. He seems afraid and worried all the time.

Another pamphlet came to-day while mother was away. It was even worse than the ones Minnie read to me. It urged spinsters and widows to help repopulate the country. Their "husbands" would give each woman a gold ring, it said, and all children were to be recognized as legitimate.

It made me burn with shame. Can our own Emperor consent to such an odious plan? I do not believe it possible. I believe it is some underhanded scheme started without the knowledge of the Government.

Surely no woman of Germany could ever have a part in such a dreadful plan, and I do not believe our men would. I know August would protect me to the death. Soon I will be August's wife, if he will only speak, and then I will be far removed from contact with these things.

CHICKENS ABOUT HER DISGUST.
May 21st.—Minnie came over with another circular to-day, but I refused to read it. August asked me last night not to read any more of them. They do not concern you or Minnie in any way," he said, "and I want you to promise you will not look at one of them again."

I am much happier to-day than I have been for a week, because August seems to be getting over the strange feeling that has bound him—I can think of nothing to call it but fear.

We took a walk through the park and he held my hand and told me how much he loves me.

May 23rd.—Mother said something to-day about my getting married. "I believe she wants me to become August's bride soon, instead of waiting until after the war. If that can only be I shall die from happiness, I know."

It all rests in August's hands. He came to dinner to-night. Mother got a chicken somewhere—it's wonderful how she manages—and we had the best meal we have had for many days.

BATCH OF HUSBANDS ANNOUNCED.
May 24th.—This afternoon Minnie and I held a happiness feast. She had a pamphlet. It said that "the first batch of husbands the Government is to furnish will soon arrive here." Minnie told me.

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We tried to picture what the man will be like. Minnie and I decided we were very sorry for any girl who was expected to marry one of them, and we were happier than ever to think that each of us had her own sweetheart—her own choice—and would soon be a bride.

August did not come to the house until late this evening. He seemed depressed again, even more so than I have seen him, but I refuse to worry.

(The next entry in Bertha's diary is wild and almost incoherent. In places the handwriting is merely a scrawl and indecipherable. A free translation of the legible parts follows:—)

May 25th.—I wish I were dead. If it were not a mortal sin, I would kill myself to-night.

CAN'T MARRY SWEETHEART.

I cannot marry August. The Government will not grant its permission for our wedding. I came home from the market this afternoon and found mother sobbing her heart out. She held a document with a Government seal in her hand. I tried to comfort her, and when she had checked her tears she read the paper to me. It said:—

"For the good of the Fatherland it is necessary that every woman capable of bearing children shall prepare to render that service for the Fatherland without delay. Report to the office of Captain Fritz, stating the number of women in your household."

"But that means nothing to us, mother," I cried. "I am soon to marry August, and if we hurry the marriage the Government can say nothing."

Then my mother told me why I cannot marry August. All this time she has known, and has let me hope against hope.

"The Government will not permit August to marry, my child," she said, "because his wounds will make him an invalid for life."

Then she cursed the Government as she never has spoken in her life before. She said:—

"I have done enough for the Fatherland. I have given husband and sons, and now they want my daughter's honour and soul, and mine."

MUST LIVE YET WOULD DIE.

May 26th.—God in heaven, is there no hope for the women of Germany? My mother told me this morning what the terrible order she read to me yesterday means. I begged Father Englehart to show me a way to escape that order. He could tell me none. I pleaded with him that it would be right for me to kill myself rather than submit. He told me that I could not go to heaven if I did.

I must live and yet death would be preferable to what is in store for me and thousands of other women.

I know, now, why Captain Fritz has leered at me so. I pray God I am saved from that brute. I cannot believe the Government will dare put into force this awful decree.

I saw Minnie at church this morning. She is not worrying about herself, for she is to marry Adolph at once. "Why have we had to send our men away to be killed so they cannot guard us now?"

Captain Fritz is to open his offices for women to-morrow. I pray to God some woman will tell him.

May 27th.—There is no hope. To-morrow, I have seemed to be without feeling—dead. Several women tried to-day to escape the order by marrying hurriedly, but the Government stopped them. "No marriages unless approved," it was ruled.

There is a rumour that two women have killed themselves. I envy them their fortitude and decision. They dared the uncertain to escape the certain. But I cannot.

We were to have reported at the office of Captain Fritz to-day, but my mother pleaded illness and said we would make our report to-morrow. All day she has looked at me with her heart in her eyes, and has prayed that somehow we might be saved.

May 28th.—Thank God, we have a respite. Mother and I went to the office of Captain Fritz to-day. He

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May 20th.—Captain Fritz came yesterday to the house. I could not escape. I lost consciousness. In that much, God was merciful to me. I cannot let my mind dwell on my terrible experience. It seems unspeakable that Captain Fritz should not be punished for this crime; but mother says he acted under the law, and nothing can be done. What a mockery and travesty on justice is a law which sanctions such horrible deeds.

We are told by our Government that victory in the war is certain, but I cannot help feeling that if our Fatherland is reduced to such an extremity that its womenfolk must be treated as beasts of the field, surely must be a long cause.

June 4th.—My mother will go mad, I fear. We know now how the women of Belgium and France must have suffered. We have never believed those stories, but no woman of Germany ever again can doubt them. Our own personal tragedies have shown us all too clearly what our Government is capable of doing. Never again can we women feel the same pride in the Fatherland and in our rulers that we once had. None of our enemies has ever resorted to such wicked practices or surely our newspapers would have told about it. Can it be that our Kultur, instead of being the noblest in the world as we are taught, is the lowest? I am full of doubts to-day.

Yesterday I talked again with Father Englehart. He has been so kind and helpful. He told me many things about the early history of Germany, evidently to get my mind off my troubles. I learned with surprise that this is not the first time in Germany's history that her women have been forcibly mated. It keeps that after a war fought about a hundred years ago this same brutal idea was set in operation and "state children" were extremely common.

However, nothing in the world can reconcile the women of this day to such treatment. It is unspeakable. There seems to be nothing left for me but to steel myself against all feeling and fight on, as best as I can, to the end.

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TELEGRAMS.

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A FRENCH MILITARY CRITIC'S VIEW.

A GRAND DAY FOR THE ALLIES.

PARIS, May 3.
M. Henri Bidon, the distinguished military critic of the *Journal* and *Debut*, who has just returned from the front, gave Renter a most encouraging account of the position.

He says the last time he visited the front, which was just after the capture of Kemmel Hill, he found some gloom as to the possible consequences of its loss, but when he returned, he was delighted to find a spirit of utmost confidence among the Allied officers and men, resulting from the magnificent manner in which the Germans were held up.

M. Bidon said Tuesday was a grand day for the Allies and graver for the Germans than the loss of Kemmel Hill was to the Allies.

M. Bidon concluded by saying that never before had he seen such real comradeship and mutual esteem between the Allies as has existed since the beginning of this battle, when the French and the British fought and died together.

AMERICA'S WAR PROGRAMME.

EXPEDITING AN INCREASED ARMY.

WASHINGTON, May 3.
The War Department's programme presented by the War Secretary, Mr. Baker, to the Military Committee of the House of Representatives, involves expediting the training of men and increasing the Army as rapidly as all conditions will allow.

Mr. Baker declined to discuss the numbers of the proposed army because a specific number implies a limit which will solely depend on available resources, which are constantly increasing.

THE DELHI CONFERENCE.

MEASURES TO ASSIST THE EMPIRE'S CAUSE.

LONDON, May 2.
The Press Bureau announces that the Viceroy opened the Delhi Conference on April 27 which was attended by sixteen Princes who are non-official Legislative councillors and about 100 representatives of all shades of opinion from the provinces.

The Home Rule group protested at the non-inclusion of Mrs. Annie Besant, but failed to secure the approval of the Conference.

The Conference approved of the continuance of voluntary recruitment and the formation of a Publicity Employment Bureau and also recommended measures to encourage the consumption of local products, to develop shipbuilding and the production of foodstuffs and war requirements.

The Conference showed a large measure of appreciation of the situation and a desire to furnish further assistance to the Empire's cause.

As a result of these measures it is hoped that 500,000 recruits will be obtained during the year. The Chiefs' offers of men and money were most cordial and generous.

THE FRANCO-GERMAN REPATRIATION AGREEMENT.

145,000 GERMANS AFFECTED.

AMSTERDAM, May 2.
The Franco-German agreement, negotiated at Bern, provides for the internment in Switzerland of officers who were taken prisoners during the last eighteen months and to repatriation of "non-coms." and men taken prisoners during the same period.

It is stated the agreement affects 2,500 German officers, and 120,000 other Germans.

Interned civilians will be permitted to return to their previous place of residence.

GERMAN RULE IN AFRICA.

LONDON, May 2.
The Lower House of Convocation has passed a resolution against the institution of German rule in Africa or the South Seas, and against the exploitation of the German Colonies in British commercial interests.

POST-WAR TRADE.

LORD BALFOUR'S COMMITTEE MAKES FURTHER REPORT.

LONDON, May 2.
Lord Balfour of Burleigh's Committee has presented a further report on post-war trade.

The Report states that any general prohibition of exports to enemy countries after the war is impracticable and inexpedient but the Paris resolutions can be carried out if the Allies and the British Empire can agree upon a policy of joint control of certain important commodities for a transitional period. This policy should be applied as regards the United Kingdom by legislation empowering the Government to prohibit the export, except under licence, of such articles as may be deemed expedient.

As regards enemy countries getting material after the war, the Report says to attempt to prevent this would raise questions of great international difficulty; moreover, the Committee have the gravest doubts as to whether such prohibition could be made practical or effective. It is also desirable that interference in our export trade should be limited to cases where public interest requires it.

The Report mentions that the supply of all kinds of wool is likely to be insufficient for the requirements of the world, particularly merino, for which Germany and Austria are practically dependent upon Australia and South Africa. The Committee considers it of the greatest importance that joint measures should be devised with the Dominions to secure control of their output of all kinds of wool, immediately after the war.

The Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Iron and Trade Committee, that no raw materials should be permitted, immediately after the war, to be despatched to present enemy countries from mineral resources under British control. The Committee states that there are certain raw materials, the supply of which is likely to be sufficient to meet the world's requirements, and it has been suggested that the Allies might jointly purchase the available supplies of these materials. The Committee points out, however, that the situation is radically altered when it becomes a question of supplying raw materials, not to manufacturers on Government work, but to manufacturers who are working on a competitive basis for the home and foreign markets.

The Committee recommends restriction as regards the export from the United Kingdom of cotton-yarn, wool-tops worsted, mohair and coal, and is of the opinion that it will be also necessary to regulate the export of coal and machinery.

The Report says in the event of the Dominions finding it impossible to adopt the Committee's suggestions, it might be represented to the Dominions that they could assist by imposing a heavy export duty to prevent enemy countries and take precautions to prevent purchase by neutrals on account of such countries. The Committee considers it essential to the safety of the nation that tungsten should be manufactured within the Empire after the war on such a scale as to supply domestic requirements and afford a margin to meet a sudden increase of our needs. It commends an export duty on wolfram ore leaving the Empire of £25 a ton except when the Government refuses to purchase it within fourteen days of an offer being made. It also proposes that the importation of magnets of present enemy origin be prohibited for five years after the war, subject to licence. It recommends the creation of a special Industries Board of experts to promote schemes for assisting industries in producing certain special commodities. The Government should itself undertake to manufacture articles essential to national safety falling on efficient and adequate output.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, May 1.
The Silver Market is quiet.

THE OPERATIONS IN PALESTINE.

TURKISH AND GERMAN PRISONERS TAKEN.

A BRITISH MOUNTED BRIGADE DETACHED.

LONDON, May 2.

An official message from Palestine states:—
We resumed operations eastward of the Jordan on May 1.

While the infantry attacked the enemy in the foothills south-westward and southward of Esalt, the Australian mounted forces entered the village taking 33 Germans and 317 Turks prisoners.

During these operations, the mounted brigade which watched the crossings of the Jordan at Jisr ed-Danien, was attacked and forced back by a superior enemy force who crossed the river during the night. The horse artillery batteries supporting this brigade, in most difficult and broken country, were obliged to abandon nine guns, but the necessary support for the detached brigade was immediately forthcoming. The operations are proceeding.

We repulsed local attacks at several points westward of the Jordan.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE AND HOME RULE.

LONDON, May 2.

Replying to a memorial signed by over 60,000 Irish residents in Great Britain favouring immediate self-government in Ireland, the Premier says: There is no object which I have more closely at heart than to assist in composing this ancient controversy. I am bound to say, however, that difficulties which are sufficiently great have not been rendered easier of settlement by the challenge to the supremacy of the Parliament of the United Kingdom in that sphere which has always been regarded as properly belonging to it by all advocates of Home Rule which has recently been issued by the Nationalist Party and Roman Catholic hierarchy in concert with leaders of the Sinn Féin.

OLD UKRAINIAN GOVERNMENT OVERTHROWN.

NEW REGIME UPHOLDS BRESTLITOVSK PEACE.

AMSTERDAM, May 2.

A message from Berlin states that the Berlin peasant Deputies have overthrown the old Ukrainian Rada and Government.

The new Government immediately adhered to the Brestlitovsk Peace.

PRUSSIAN DIET REJECTS EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

DISSOLUTION OF DIET PREDICTED.

AMSTERDAM, May 2.

The Prussian Diet, by 235 votes to 183, rejected the Social Democrats' motion to restore the Equal Suffrage clause of the Electoral Reform Bill, but resolved by 232 votes to 183, in favour of plural voting.

The Minister, Dr. Friedberg, hinted at a possibility of the Government dissolving the Diet if the situation is not eased.

VALUABLE SERVICES DURING THE WAR.

PEKING LEGATION GUARDSMEN MENTIONED.

LONDON, May 1.

Amongst those mentioned for valuable services during the war are members of the Legation Guards at Peking, including Captain E. W. Brett, Captain A. J. Thomson and Company Sergeant-Major F. W. Deane of the Indian Army.

Captain E. J. Barrett, of the Shanghai Municipal Police, is also mentioned.

The ships which have been launched since January 1 in Japan are as follows:—

January: the Kiso Maru No. 2, 3,200 tons, at Osaka; Tekkoshu; Daihoku Maru 9, 5,600 tons, at the Kawasaki Yard, Kobe; Eden Maru, 2,200 tons, at Asano yard; Tama Maru, 2,500 tons, at Matsuo Yard; and Africa Maru, 2,500 tons, at Mitsubishi Yard, Nagasaki.

February: the Gegei Maru, 3,200 tons, at Osaka; Tokushu Shimpu Maru, 4,700 tons, at Uraga Dockyard; and Saitoku Maru, 2,500 tons, at Kawasaki Yard, Kobe.

GERMANY AND HOLLAND.

A POINT SETTLED.

AMSTERDAM, May 2.

The Minister for the Colonies has telegraphed to the Government of the Dutch Indies that shipping to America can be resumed from May 1.

AN AUSTRIAN MOVE AGAINST ZIONISM.

AMSTERDAM, May 2.

A telegram from Vienna states that the Austrian authorities have closed all Zionist headquarters and meeting places in Cracow and are arresting many socialist Zionists, including students.

The Jewish Bureau remarks that these occurrences shed a singular light on the Austrian semi-official declaration that the Government is favourably disposed to Zionism.

SUBMARINE PIRACY.

ITALIAN SHIPPING RETURNS.

ROME, May 2.

The shipping returns for this week show:—
Arrivals 354
Departures 363
Only one small sailing vessel was sunk.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

SUCCESSFUL RAIDS BY FRENCH.

LONDON, May 2.

A French communiqué says:—
A German attack in the region of Thence, north of the Aisne, failed under our fire.

Enemy attempts north of Chavignon and north-west of Rheims were also unsuccessful. We carried out raids, notably in the direction of Le Monchel, west of Coudé-le-Château, north of Pont-a-Mousson and at Vieux and brought back a score of prisoners.

SIR WILLIAM ROBERTSON PREDICTS A LONG WAR.

SOLDIERS UNDER 19.

LONDON, May 2.

At the annual meeting of the Church Army Sir William Robertson stated that large numbers of soldiers under 19 were likely to arrive at the front in the immediate future, all splendid boys. The war was likely to last a long time yet, and no sane man would dare estimate how long.

THE RENEWED PEACE OFFENSIVE.

PRESS COMMENT.

LONDON, May 2.

The *Daily Mail*, continuing its comment on the renewed peace offensive, says the troubles of the Austrian Empire are apparently coming to a head and the Cabinet crisis in both Austria and Hungary is still unsettled.

The *Arbeiter Zeitung*, of Vienna, denounces Hungary for starving Austria and declares that the imports from Ukraine are still remote and empty stomachs cannot afford to wait.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY STARVING.

Czecho-Slovak troops who are Austrian subjects have appeared, according to Italian papers, on the Italian front, fighting for Italy. Their arrival has disquieted Austro-Hungarian commanders, who fear the effect on their Slav troops. Recently, some of these men persuaded a number of Austrian Cossacks to desert, which the Italian barrage between the Austrian front and support lines enabled them to do.

A special English Correspondent on the Swiss frontier has received information showing that the populations of Austria-Hungary are starving, and something with revolt, which he predicts, will break out when the Western offensive is definitely brought to a standstill.

POSITIONS FOR ABLE MEN.

LONDON, May 2.

In the House of Commons, Major J. L. Baird stated that Sir William War was considering the best way of utilizing Sir Hugh Tennant's great qualities.

Mr. Bonar Law stated that the Admiralty still hoped to utilize Viscount Jellicoe's services in an important position, but, owing to the Admiral's high rank it was not easy to find a position acceptable to him. An important post had been offered to Viscount Jellicoe, who, for reasons highly creditable to him, could not accept it.

THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

SOUTH AFRICA'S REPRESENTATIVE.

CAPETOWN, May 2.

In the House of Assembly, General Botha announced that he would not attend the Imperial Conference, but would send Mr. Burton, Minister of Railways and Finance, to represent the Union.

HUN MURDERS AT SEA.

A POST-WAR PUNITIVE BOYCOTT.

LONDON, May 2.

Mr. Havelock Wilson, President of the British Seamen's and Firemen's Union, in a statement as regards the atrocities of the *Mercantile Marine*, said that 15,000 British seamen had been murdered by German pirates during the war. The murders were growing, despite the decline in the number of ships attacked, because the Hun was more determined than ever that sailors of sunken ships should not live to tell the tale. British sailors were in deadly earnest in their determination to apply a punitive boycott against Germany after the war. Masters, officers and seamen were, in hearty unanimity in their determination, after the war, not to handle stuff in any way connected with Germany. A year ago the limit for the boycott was two years, now, owing to the increased crimes it had been extended to five and a half years.

THE SEAMEN'S LEAGUE GROWING.

Mr. Wilson emphasised very strongly that the boycott would be enforced to the utmost. He had proofs that commercial folk in Germany were very uneasy with regard to this because they knew that British sailors possessed the power and influence to make good their threat and because opinion was hardening daily. Mr. Wilson added that the Seamen's League was growing daily and already totalled 60,000 members. Candidates for Parliament at next elections not favouring the League's policy would have a poor chance. Branches of the League were being organised. Every constituency would run candidates against those not satisfying its objects.

ANTI-GERMAN AGITATION IN UKRAINE.

IMPORTANT PERSONAGES ARRESTED.

LONDON, May 2.

A German communiqué affords an interesting sidelight on affairs in Ukraine. It alleges a strong anti-German agitation in Kiev, supported by members of the Government, resulting, *inter alia*, in the distortion of the German decree regarding the spring sowing, which has produced excitement in the country, and the arrest of the manager of the Russian Bank for Foreign Trade. The communiqué alleges that the Ukrainian Government, convinced at the manager's arrest, has been obliged to take drastic action including the establishment of military tribunals, severe penalties for disturbers of the peace and the arrest of the Minister of the Interior and the Commander of the town militia and others.

VIGOROUS OPPOSITION TO GERMAN ORDERS.

ZURICH, May 2.

According to a Kiev telegram, Field-Marshal von Eichhorn, commanding the Germans in Ukraine, has ordered the peasantry to return the property taken from the landowners and to begin cultivation of the great estates. This is arousing the most vigorous opposition and the Ukrainian Rada has instructed the Minister for Agriculture to direct the peasants to disregard von Eichhorn's order.

AMERICAN STEAMER SUNK IN COLLISION.

74 PEOPLE DROWNED.

NEW YORK, May 1.

The coasting steamer *City of Athens* has sunk as the result of a collision with a cruiser.

ARCHDUKE FERDINAND'S ASSASSIN DIES.

AMSTERDAM, May 2.

Prinzip, who assassinated the Archduke Ferdinand and his wife, had died of consumption in Theresienstadt Fortress.

GERMANY AND HOLLAND.

REPORTED AGREEMENT DENIED.

AMSTERDAM, May 2.

The *Holland-Indië* says that the statement of the *Nieuw Rotterdam Courant* that a mutually satisfactory arrangement has been reached between Holland and Germany is too optimistic. The negotiations are still proceeding.

THE REPORTED COUNTER-REVOLUTION IN PETROGRAD.

NO CONFIRMATION IN LONDON.

LONDON, May 1.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Balfour stated that he had no official confirmation of the reports of a counter-revolution in Petrograd.

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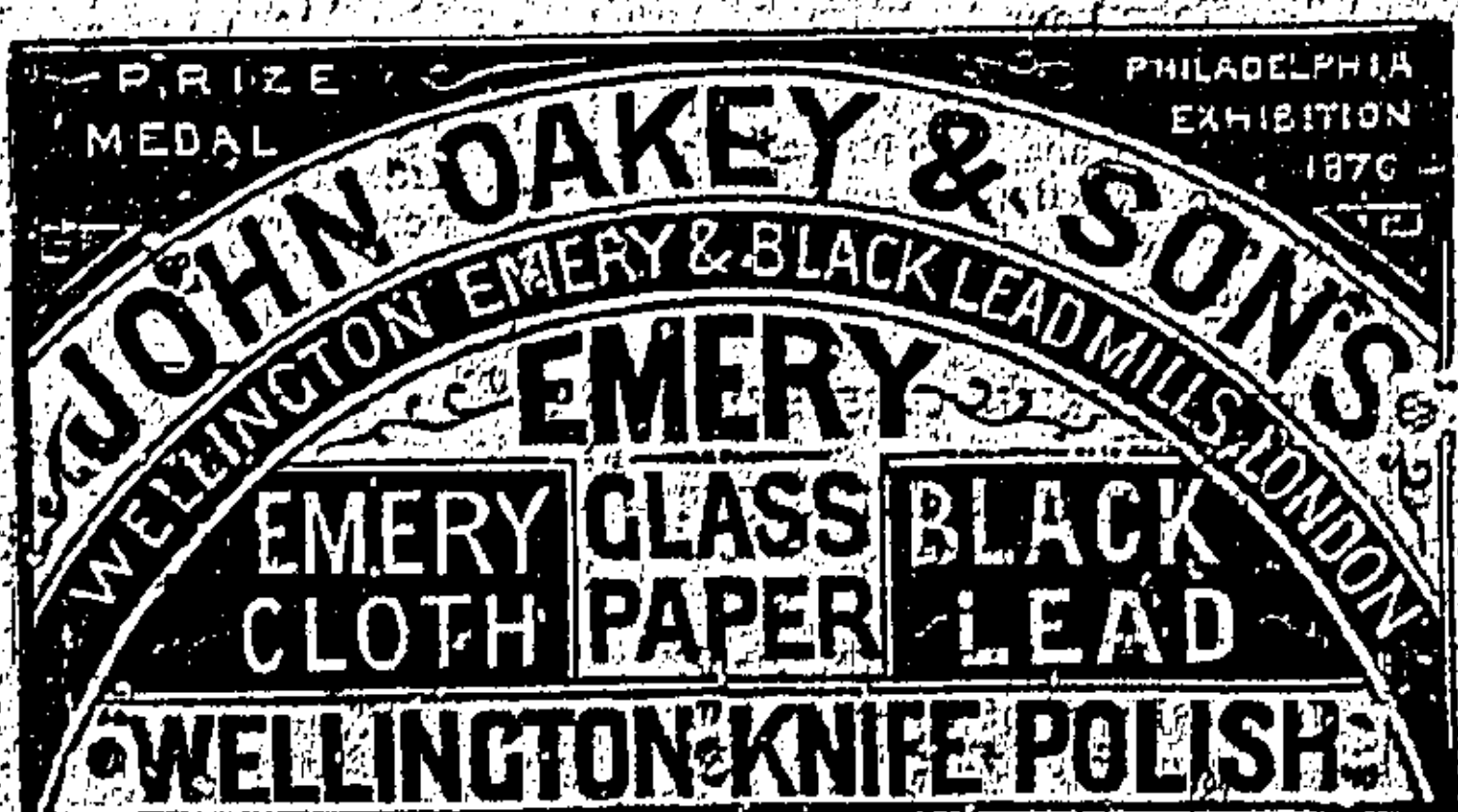
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Monday, 6th May—

7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company.

Layers as detailed. Examination by

Lt. Col. May.

Tuesday, 7th May—

7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company.

Full drill with the exception of

layers who attend examination on

6th May.

5.15 p.m.—Left Half Company. Full

drill with the exception of new

D.R.F. and new layers classes.

Thursday, 9th May—

5.15 p.m.—Left Half Company. New

D.R.F. class only.

Friday, 10th May—

5.15 p.m.—Left Half Company. New

Layers' class only.

Orders for Engineer Company by

Captain W. Russell.

3rd to 10th May—

E. L. MANNING NIGHTLY.

Parades as per posters posted at Head-

quarters. Engine Drivers at 6.30 p.m.

Electricians at 6.45 p.m.

OFFICERS NEXT FOR DUTY.

Belchers: 2nd Lieut. Marley.

Lyceum: 2nd Lieut. Templeton.

Non-commissioned: 2nd Lieut. Brown.

INSTRUCTION FOR S.C.O.S. AND MEN OF THE

INFANTRY BATTALION ATTACHED FOR DUTY.

Class 1 at Belchers at 8.30 p.m. on

Mondays and Thursdays.

Class 2 at Belchers at 8.30 p.m. on

Tuesdays and Fridays.

Class 3 at Lyceum at 8.30 p.m. on

Tuesdays and Fridays, under Staff Sergeants.

Overseers and Sergeants, R.E., Serg. Day

and Corp. Norris, H.K.D.C., at Belchers;

and Staff Sergeants Barclay and White,

R.E., and Serg. Williams, H.K.D.C., at

Lyceum.

Detail of Belchers Beliefs for May and

detail of duties at Lyceum from 1st to

16th May are posted at Headquarters for

information of all concerned.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by

Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

"A" Company.

Tuesday, 7th May—

5.30 p.m.—Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 Platoons

on Polo Ground. Hongkong resi-

dents will parade at the Cricket Club

at 5.10 p.m. and proceed by tram to

Causeway Bay. Company drill. Dress,

drill order.

Wednesday, 8th May—

5.30 p.m.—N.C.O.s of Nos. 3 and 4

Platoons (as detailed by Platoon

Commanders) at Headquarters.

T.E.T.

Friday, 10th May—

5.30 p.m.—N.C.O.s of Nos. 1 and 2

Platoons (as detailed by Platoon

Commanders) at Headquarters.

T.E.T.

"B" Company.

Tuesday, 7th May—

5.30 p.m.—Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 Platoons

on Polo Ground. Hongkong resi-

dents will parade at the Cricket Club

at 5.10 p.m. and proceed by tram to

Causeway Bay. Company drill. Dress,

drill order.

Wednesday, 8th May—

5.30 p.m.—Drill at Headquarters. Nos.

4 and 5 Guns only.

Thursday, 9th May—

5.30 p.m.—Drill at Headquarters. The

following men only need attend—

Ptes. Field, Irvine, Labrum, A. C. D.

Logan, C. R. Logan, McKerns,

Pinget and Stapleton.

MOUNTED SECTION.

Monday, 6th May—

5.30 p.m.—At Jockey Club Stables.

Dress, drill order.

Thursday, 9th May—

5.30 p.m.—At Jockey Club Stables.

Dress, drill order without rifles.

DISMOUNTED SECTION.

Tuesday, 7th May, and Friday, 10th May—

5.30 p.m.—Parade at Headquarters.

Dress, clean fatigue.

Note.—Rifles (with bores free from dirt)

and sidearms are to be brought to the

parade on 7th May.

STREETCROWD STAFF SECTION.

Tuesday, 7th May—

5.15 p.m.—Parade at Headquarters.

PARADES.

Monday, 6th May, and Friday, 10th May—

5.30 p.m.—All units except "D."

Company on Murray Parade Ground,

under Sergts. Edmond and Meade.

Dress, drill order.

Orders for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieut.

J. E. W. Bead.

PARADES.

Saturday, 4th May—

2 p.m.—The Company will parade at

Headquarters to be issued with

weapons.

Wednesday, 8th May—

5.10 p.m.—Fall in at Blake Pier.

Swimming.

G. E. STEWART,

Captain.

Adjutant, H.K. Defence Corps.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1918.

JAPAN'S NEW OUTLOOK.

A RESULT OF THE GERMAN

MENACE.

That the German menace to Petrograd

is exciting the close attention of Japan

should surprise no one. Our Far Eastern

ally (writes a Daily Chronicle

representative) cannot view with indiffer-

ence the successful completion of the

German plan for the domination of

Russia. It gives special significance to

the presence of Japanese battleships at

Vladivostok, the hinterland of Korea

and Manchuria. Possession of Great

Russia entails command of the Trans-

Siberian railway. It marks a new stage

in German schemes for the penetration

of the Far East, already considerably

advanced by pressure on Southern Russia

and Barmen.

Japan's attitude is best defined by

the recent declaration of the Premier

that his country was watching events

and would take appropriate action.

This, of course, is not to be interpreted

in terms of armaments and preparations

for an offensive, but it indicates that

Japan is alive to possible danger.

Eastern Siberia is at her doors, and

there is always the chance that Germany

will try to embroil her with China or

the United States.

Obviously, the situation has changed

since Japan took part in the Paris Con-

ference. Her assistance, limited hitherto

to naval and financial action, may take

another form. If her hands have been

tied in the past by fears of reprisals by

Turkey against her Embassy and Con-

sul, her merchants and students in

Russia she feels to-day a greater concern

for the safety. In common with her

allies, she has now to substitute the

Austro-Germanic for the Bolshevik.

In a larger view one may surmise that

Tautou activity in Russia is designed

as a set-off to defeat elsewhere, it has

introduced new factors of a military and

diplomatic, order, which cannot be

neglected.

POSTERS AND POSTS DISAPPEAR.

Newspapers have lost their posters

announcing the day's news, and now

posters are to lose their posts. Says the

Daily Chronicle, Westminster City Council

is going to convert into munitions of

war the iron posts which stud the pave-

ments. Formerly essential to mark the

footpaths and protect the pedestrian

from the wheeled traffic, these posts

were so much used for exhibiting adver-

tisements that the post gave its name to

the notice, and poster became a synonym

for placards, although affixed to walls,

doors or gates.

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